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"ONE NAME, TWO FATES"

National bestselling author and U.S. Army combat veteran, Wes Moore, enlightened the GC faculty and students with a Q&A and keynote speech encompassing his New York Times and Wall Street Journal bestseller "The Other Wes Moore."

Moore's novel follows the tale of two kids with the same name living radically different lives; one transforms into a Rhodes Scholar, and the other, a murderer sentenced to life in prison. [See Entertainment for the Q&A with Wes Moore.](#)



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In this issue, the staff explores what is going on in the community and on campus. The News Desk covers Sodexo and whether The Max is healthy or not. Also, The Short List and the SGA roundup contain current and upcoming events. The Entertainment

Desk includes a Q&A with Wes Moore, who is the author of the freshman's class summer reading book. His story about the book is really interesting. The Sports Desk continues to profile players and cover GC's sports teams. Feature talks about WWOOFing,

which is something new and interesting most people are unaware of. Opinion is loaded with arguments for and against certain topics, along with rants about current topics. Join us for pitch meetings on Monday in Chappell Hall at 5 p.m.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

- FREE SHIRTS FROM THUNDER CREW STARTING AT 4:45 P.M.
- GEORGIA COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL GAME @ 5 P.M. IN CENTENNIAL

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

- PRIDE ALLIANCE MEETING @ 7 P.M. IN ATKINSON 104

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

- PROWLERS RUNNING CLUB @ 6:30 P.M. AT THE BOBCAT HEAD ON FRONT CAMPUS
- SUPER SMASH BROS CLUB @ 7 P.M. IN PARKHURST BASEMENT
- WESLEY WORSHIP @ 7:30 P.M. IN MSU LOUNGE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

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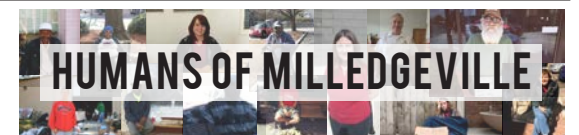
The guy at Dunkin Donuts hit on me, so he only charged me for a small coffee, it's going to be a good day.

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HUMANS OF MILLEDGEVILLE



What's been the happiest moment of your life?

"I met this lady from Cleveland about ten years ago and she still comes here and visits me. And me and her keep our friendship, ya know, but I don't know anything about her. Her name's Lyne. But she comes here every year to see me. She's been doing that for the past ten years." —Butch Wright

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Journalism is often considered a thankless job. After taking the position as Editor-in-Chief of The Colonnade, I understand why that statement is so often said. However, when I think about the work I do, we do, as a staff, I consider us grateful for a lot of things.

The reasons why we do what we do: produce, write, photograph and design a paper is for the people who read it, but also for us. We thank ourselves for following our passions,

for being up to date with the news and for caring about what happens on our campus.

We constantly are thanked in nonverbal ways. When we see papers in the hands of others or when people willingly taking a paper off the stand, that's like receiving a thank you card in the mail.

We are also thanked in verbal ways. Faculty has said that they appreciate what we do. Students occasionally comment on what we do and thank the staff for putting out a paper.

But, regardless, I don't lead a paper to be thanked. I run a paper because I think it's my job as a mass

communication student, as an educated citizen and as a lover of news, to inform others of what's going on.

It's our duty as a staff to provide the best work we can and present it in the most powerful way possible.

Having this platform to write about what's important to me in the Opinion section, having other sections as outlets to inform others and producing this work of art with the designs and photography is something that I am proud of. Being in charge of a "dying field of journalism" has never felt more liberating. The field is not dying because we are producing a new breed

of journalists who not only care about what the content is, but also care about how the content looks on the page. This new breed of journalists are the movers and shakers of news. I am excited to see where I end up and where the rest of this talented staff goes.

Yes we put in long hours. Yes, it's stressful. But, seeing the paper in print and getting the occasional 'good job' is worth all of the work.

The staff never fails to impress me with their hard work. They aren't thanked enough.

So, thank you staff. I will forever be grateful for you all allowing me to lead the paper the way I know best.

Should we bypass the campus police?

Congress is proposing a new bill about sexual assault



Emily Davis
Senior, Mass
Communication

Recently, it came to my attention that Congress is proposing a bill that would force victims of rape and sexual assault on college campuses to report the crime to local authorities, bypassing campus police.

If this doesn't sound like a problem, it's even more critical that you educate yourself.

This bill, "The Safe Campus Act," creates a bigger gap between a victim and the resources they need, and it is problematic for several reasons.

Many campuses and organizations use a metaphor for victims who report a sexual assault crime, wanting to keep them "in the driver's seat." The laws currently in place allow for a victim to have control over the channels they choose to go through when it comes to finding justice.

This bill goes against that.

This bill takes away any notion of being in control of the way justice is served for a situation.

You want to put that on a victim of sexual assault? You really want to make a person a victim of both assault and your lazy, unhelpful laws?

Also, picture being a person of color, constantly profiled by police, bombarded with images of police discrimination and brutality in the media, maybe even knowing firsthand what that brutality feels like, and then being told that instead of having the option to deal with a rape situation with your trusted college

officials, you have to go to the police.

The police are not everyone's friend. If you feel safe around police officers, you are privileged.

This sort of bill proposition is a small part of a huge issue in our culture. We apathetically allow rape to pass through our collective consciousness - we live in a rape culture and most of us do nothing to challenge that.

How many times have you heard the phrase "that test totally raped me" or something similar? How on Earth is that okay to say?

Because we don't value the lives that have been raped as we should. We don't value women for their intrinsic value as people. We simply don't. And I know that those are harsh accusations, but they come from evidence, they come from the news and they come from seeing my friends cry because they were dehumanized by men who have been taught that they can have whatever they want, even if they have to steal it.

Women are not symbols of weakness, and being a victim of a crime does not make you weak.

Maybe proponents of the bill want to see more rape cases reported so we can have justice for those narcissistic, megalomania-driven shells of human individuals that rape people. This is not the way to achieve that goal. The way to achieve that goal is a long, difficult, complicated road that involves education at every step of life, enforcement of equality and empathy, open hearts and minds and it involves every one of us.

To dislike or nah?



Sydney Chacon
Junior, Mass
Communication

I recently read an article from USA Today about how Facebook is now working on a "dislike" button. I think many people will enjoy this new feature because I've seen so many comments on posts about how they wish a dislike button existed. Now, that's going to be delivered.

This new feature will be good for some because not everything people post is happy. Sometimes we're just having a really bad day, and we tell people about it on Facebook. When people like these rants it's kind of strange because do they like the fact that you had a bad day, or do they like it because they wish you hadn't had a bad day and are sympathizing with you?

In that aspect, the new dislike button will be great. Now, there will be no confusion about the likes you receive on your post when you didn't post anything good or happy.



However, I feel like this could be taken to a whole different level than what it's meant for because people are immature, and that's just what happens sometimes.

"Trolling" is almost like a hobby for some people, so some people might dislike statuses for no reason other than the fact that they are able to and because they like to cause other people stress and problems.

Trolling paired with overly sensitive people just sounds like a bad combination. It might end up causing more arguments on Facebook. However, so many arguments already exist. Maybe it won't make too much of a difference anyway.

Nothing is set in stone at this point, but Facebook seems to fear people getting upset, so the new button might not be called "dislike" but perhaps "sympathize."

Hopefully, the dislike button will be used for what it was intended for, to be another option other than "like."

Drive-by shootings out of control



Tyler Tracy
Junior,
Psychology &
Rhetoric

As I was driving home from work the other night, I saw multiple police cars on North Columbia Street parked outside a home. As a volunteer firefighter, my first thought was someone had a stroke or there was a breaking and entering, but it never occurred to me that the police were trying to catch the suspects of a drive-by shooting. I was shocked. I knew drive-by shootings happen, but you never expect them to happen in the town you live in, let alone a few blocks from where you and your friends live. The scary part about this drive-by shooting is it was not the only drive-by to happen that night. There was another shooting that was only a couple miles over, but nearly just as close to our campus.

According to the Union-Recorder, there have been 15 drive-by shootings since May, and there have been multiple deaths. Additionally, many of these other shootings have also occurred within a few miles of our campus.

With Milledgeville's tiny population of 20,000, the number of drive-by shootings is astonishing.

From what I have read on the news, it looks like our law enforcement is trying its best to stop these shootings, but they are not getting very far. Chief Dray Swicord of the Milledgeville Police and our state representative Rusty Kidd have both called out to the community, asking for assistance and for anyone that has information to come forward. Kidd is even offering a reward of \$10,000 to whoever lends a hand to help find the perpetrators.

This is not a call to action, but this is a call of awareness to everyone. I know there are a lot of people who do not know about the dangers going on outside our 'safe bubble' here at Georgia College. And unfortunately, it looks like the bubble is getting smaller and smaller by the month.

I never want to be driving home from work at night and see the same line of cops inspecting a drive-by shooting by the Max instead of on North Columbia Street.

The Max strives to serve fresh cuisine



Laura Brink
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Food services corporation Sodexo has been a subject of controversy in recent memory, but has remained Georgia College's on campus dining provider.

"Outsourcing America: Sodexo Siphons Cash From Kids and Soldiers while Dishing Up Subprime Food," reads a headline published by The Huffington Post in 2013. The story that followed exposed Sodexo's use of horse meat in London, worms and listeria in food in Los Angeles and enormous profits for Sodexo worldwide.

To be clear, no horse meat, listeria or worms have been found in Georgia College's dining hall. It is the corporation of Sodexo that has been proven to be more money focused than quality focused.

The Max on Georgia College's Campus is run with a different kind of attitude. General Manager Brian Lee, who is contracted by Sodexo, believes that while these issues are troubling, he has



John Dillon/ Senior Photographer

The Max administrative staff do what they can to give the best product to their guests in spite of the quality of food delivered to them from Sodexo.

no fear of questionable food being served at GC.

"In three and half years, we've made many many improvements to improve the Sodexo experience," Lee said. "I feel this year is the best year we've had so far with food quality."

Two years ago, Lee started a committee made of students and faculty in

attempt to better serve the patrons of The Max.

Despite the improvement in food quality, students still find fault with The Max.

"I still like to get swiped in for the occasional feast, but I'm not very proud of myself the next morning," senior economics major Nick Dudam said about eating at the Max. "I should

pick healthier options, but the healthy options always seemed not quite right to me my freshman year."

Junior Psychology and Rhetoric major, Tyler Tracy likes The Max just fine, but says it isn't the best option for people hoping to avoid the "freshman 15."

"It is good," Tracy said. "But The Max food

is not that healthy for many people who want to eat healthier. Even with the addition of the salad bar, the food seems shaky at best when it comes to healthiness."

The caveat of Lee's improvements, dedication, and forward thinking is that Sodexo still chooses which vendors supply The Max.

Lee was quick to mention that many things in the dining hall are homemade, including dressings, pizza sauces and more. This addition of homemade items was part of Lee's improvement plan.

"We had to go back and dig deep for a better taste and better experience," Lee said.



Beth Anne Casstevens/ Contributing Photographer
GC's Principles of Leadership class pose for a photo during a hike.



Andrew Podo
@podostick

Georgia College students trekked across the rolling mountains of Tennessee and Kentucky in Big South Fork National Park last summer as part of

the outdoor education class, Principles of Leadership.

The course, which was named one of the coolest college courses in the Southeast by Blue Ridge Outdoors, is about much more than taking a recreational hiking trip for college credit.

"It sounds like a

Hobbs emphasized that the course focuses on teaching students how to be effective educators and leaders through self-reflection. Instead of learning about the outdoors, students in the class learn how to deal with pressure, stressful situations and the challenges of leading a group.

"We teach our students

how to leverage experience into learning," Hobbs said. "Using that to teach leadership means you have to put students in leadership positions."

Hobbs placed each student into a leader-of-the-day role, where students would control the trip, plan detailed lessons, create in-depth schedules and facilitate educational activities. Despite intensive planning, senior outdoor education major Beth Anne Casstevens claimed that students had to confront unforeseen factors.

"Something will go

wrong," Casstevens said. "You can't control the outdoors. It's good, especially for somebody who's a planner, to be in an environment you're not in control of because it teaches you how to cope with that."

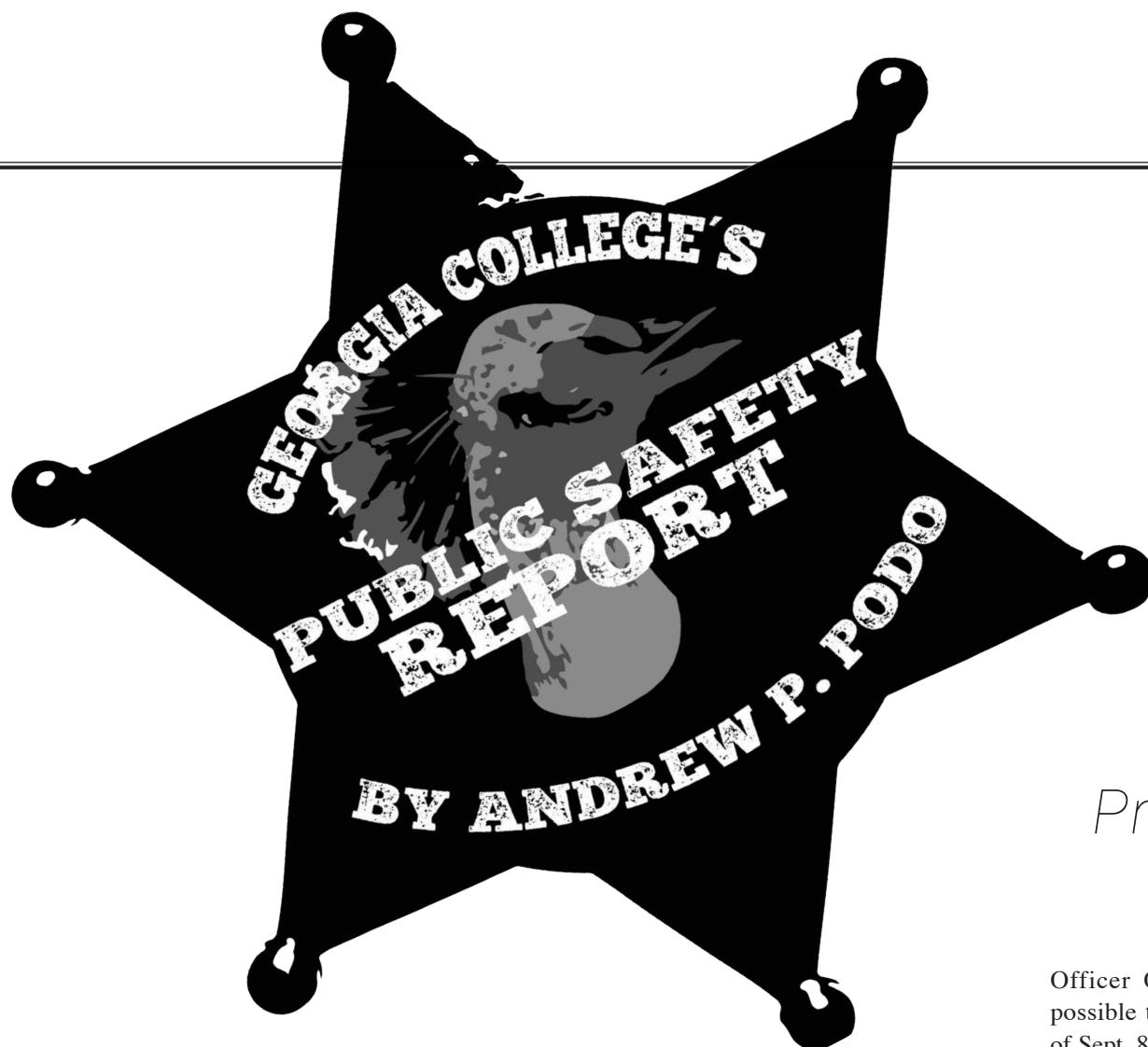
Casstevens, who took the 16-day course over the summer, was among the first group of students to take the class as a Maymester. Prior to last summer, the class was taught over the course of a semester.

Students spent three, intensive six-hour days in

the classroom and a day packing, planning and prepping before departing on the 12-day adventure. Casstevens added that packing all of the stress and work of a semester into a few, short days helped her prepare and adapt to any situation.

"The purpose of the class is to push stress on you and teach you how to learn under pressure," Casstevens said. "The most important thing in outdoors, and in life, is to shift with what comes at you in a way that you won't be overcome by stress or your emotions."

GC Students find themselves in the wild



Mow lawn, mow problems

Obtained from Milledgeville Police Department Officers responded to a call about a stolen weed eater and lawnmower at an address on North Liberty Street. on Sept. 11. The victim stated that sometime during the previous night the equipment went missing from his front yard and found two small tire marks in the grass. The lawnmower was valued at roughly \$450 and the weed eater at roughly \$170. Police entered the serial numbers of the equipment into their database and will further investigate the incident.

Protect ya' nuts

Officer Osborne responded to a possible tire theft on the afternoon of Sept. 8. The victim stated that she had left her vehicle parked downtown, moving it periodically. When she took her car home, she noticed a shaking and rattling, so she took her car to a mechanic. The mechanic told the victim that she had only one lug nut in her rear passenger-side tire. There was no significant damage to the car or the tire.

Can't live with 'em...

Obtained from Milledgeville Police Department Officers responded to a fight behind Bayne's Army Store early in the morning of Sept. 12. One individual had swelling around the eyes and was bleeding from his head and required transportation to the hospital. The victim gave the description of the assailant and claimed that they had been fighting over a girl. However, the alleged assailant fled before he could be questioned, and police will continue to search for the suspect.

I can't be**weave** it

Obtained from Milledgeville Police Department Officers answered a shoplifting call on North Columbia Street on Sept. 11. The victim stated that he had security footage of a woman putting fake hair extensions into her pocketbook and leave the store without paying. When confronted, the accused shoplifter became aggressive and cursed at the shop owners. The woman then got into a red truck with a Putnam County license plate with a male driver and sped off. The victim managed to get the license plate number and the case remains under investigation.

The parking lot is loaded

Obtained from Milledgeville Police Department Police answered a call in front of Blackbird Coffee at 6:45 a.m. on Sept. 12. An individual claimed that while he was cleaning up trash, he found a loaded rifle magazine in a parking space. The magazine was identified as belonging to an AR-15 rifle and contained 30 bullets. It was submitted to evidence, and the case remains under investigation.

He just **really** wanted a smoothie

Obtained from Milledgeville Police Department Officers responded to a shoplifting incident at Walmart on Sept. 11. A greeter notified officers about a male attempting to walk out of the store with a blender, valued at roughly \$30. The alleged shoplifter was detained by police and cited for shoplifting.



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THE SHORT LIST

Obama Reaches out to Ahmed Mohamed

Ahmed Mohamed, the high school freshman arrested in Texas for bringing a homemade clock to school, received an invitation from the president to visit the White House. Officials at the suburban Dallas school arrested the Muslim student on suspicion of building a fake bomb after he brought his current electronic project to school last Monday.

Alabam updates science standards for schools

Alabama updated their antiquated science education standards, now requiring students to learn about topics such as evolution and climate change in the classroom. The law will take effect in 2016, after lawmakers approved the changes to minimum requirements in order to further increase Alabama students' chances of success in higher education. While the laws change what is minimally acceptable, schools will have the final say on the curriculum.

Tear down these commandments

Oklahoma County Judge Thomas Prince announced that the city must remove its granite statues of the Ten Commandments from the State Capitol within 30 days. The monument, which has sparked debate since they were erected in 2012, was officially declared a religious symbol by the court and therefore must be removed from government property.

Get Uber It

A New York judge closed the doors for Taxi drivers' launching a potential lawsuit against Uber drivers. The Queens Supreme Court Justice ruled that Uber could freely compete against the taxi industry in New York City, which could threaten the very existence of the historic, iconic taxi industry. Even though the industry is worth an estimated \$10 billion, Uber is chipping away at drivers' profits.

Weekly SGA roundup

Reporting on all things student government

Senators will be sworn in at the State of the Student Body address.

The State of the Student Body Address will be held Sept. 23, at 5 p.m. The dress code is business casual and it is open to the public.

The Newly created SGA Media Team held their inaugural meeting.

The Senate plans to hold its first training meetings over the weekend.



Golf prepares to tee off at Flagler Invitational



John Dillon/ Senior Photographer

Top: Harry Lambert, above: Harrison Stewart practice for Flagler Invitational.



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The GC Men's Golf Team has high hopes for the upcoming season. Coming off of a second place finish at the season-opening Kiawah Island Invitational, the team is now preparing for the Flagler Invitational on Sept. 21-22.

For the Flagler Invitational, Head coach Jimmy Wilson said the team needs to work on its short game, dealing with adversity and mental

preparation.

"We're doing our workouts four days a week, and the guys are practicing hard," Wilson said.

No. 2 player, junior, Harrison Stewart has been on the team for the past two years and has impressed Wilson, especially this year.

"Harrison played a little bit for us his first two years, and [this year] he qualified for the second spot, one shot out of first," Wilson said.

Stewart has been working on a variety of his skills this season, such as

his short game, 3-4 foot putts and his bunker game.

As for the upcoming invitational, Stuart has been working everyday to prepare.

"I've been working on all parts of my game, working on my short game, making sure my swing stays in rhythm and keeping all my parts in check," Stewart said.

No. 1 player, redshirt senior, David Sullivan said he feels that his leadership role has been to motivate the team to play better golf and be more competitive with

each other. Additionally, he said his individual goal for the season is to focus on putting.

"Like always, I expect us to win a national championship," Sullivan said.

Wilson shares Sullivan's expectations.

"Since we didn't win a tournament last year, I'd like for us to get back on track and win a tournament this year, Wilson said. "We have a good group of hardworking guys, and I'm hoping we can go out and perform at our best."

Georgia College Soccer draws 0-0 tie vs. Lee University



Sam
Jones
@SamJones-
GCSU

The Georgia College Soccer Team fought to a 0-0 draw vs. Lee University on Wednesday night in Milledgeville.

Both teams were lucky to hold onto a clean sheet,

with both Lee and Georgia College missing out on big opportunities multiple times.

The Bobcats escaped early, as sophomore defender Maddie Stephen cleared a headed chance from Lee University off the goal line. Another sigh of relief came for the Bobcats when Flames forward

Summer Lanter got behind the Georgia College back line but skied an open shot well over the crossbar.

Georgia College wasn't without their own opportunities though.

The biggest chance for the Bobcats may have come in the 83rd minute, when a cross from junior defender Allyease Schwartz

found the head of freshman forward Anya Mancinelli in the six-yard box but was sent sailing over the bar.

"We had our opportunities, but we weren't able to convert on them and that's got to change," said Head Coach Hope Clark. "We're getting opportunities, but we've just got to put something

in the goal."

The draw moves the Bobcats to 2-1-2 on the year, and wraps up a homestand that saw the team fail to win a game.

Though Bobcat Field hasn't quite been the friendly confines the Bobcats expected early in the year, Clark is still confident in her team

heading into the conference opener Saturday versus Lander University.

"I feel great," Clark said.

"I mean honestly, I feel fantastic about this team. I really believe in this team. Sometimes they might need to work on their belief in themselves, but it's go time now. We need to go get this conference win."

Get to know your athletic director

Colonnade reporter, MT Marstellar, sits down, profiles Georgia College's athletic director, Wendell Staton



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For those who have attended a sporting event or an orientation on campus, the name Wendell Staton might sound familiar.

Staton is the athletic director here at Georgia College. His responsibilities involve everything from hiring the coaching staffs of all Georgia College sports to ensuring the daily operations of the department runs smoothly.

Staton received his bachelor of arts degree from St. Andrew's Presbyterian College and went on to receive his master's degree in education from Georgia College. His extensive background in sports coaching, administration and fundraising made him an ideal candidate for the position, which he accepted in mid-2009. He is now entering his seventh



Nick Landon / Senior Photographer

"Our students are our best story, and if all we teach them is their one particular sport, we are doing them a great disservice." - Wendell Staton

season with the Bobcats.

His self-proclaimed "type A" personality has greatly benefitted his success in the sports industry as a whole. However, even in a high-pressure profession, he attributes the majority of the stress from his job to being self-induced.

"It's really more self-driven stress, as you will put more pressure on yourself than the outside world puts on you," Staton said.

Though his formal title on campus is athletic director, he prefers the informal title of "walking billboard for Georgia

College." Staton likes his presence on campus to extend far past the reach of the athletic teams he helps organize. In addition to running the athletic department on campus, Staton leads the informational sessions for Springfest, Fallfest and Summer Orientation. He

also is a prominent face on the Georgia College TV show, GC Conversations.

"I like to think that my job doesn't just entail promoting the success of the athletic department, but also the entire campus as a whole," Staton said. "I try to constantly cheer for all of our students and all

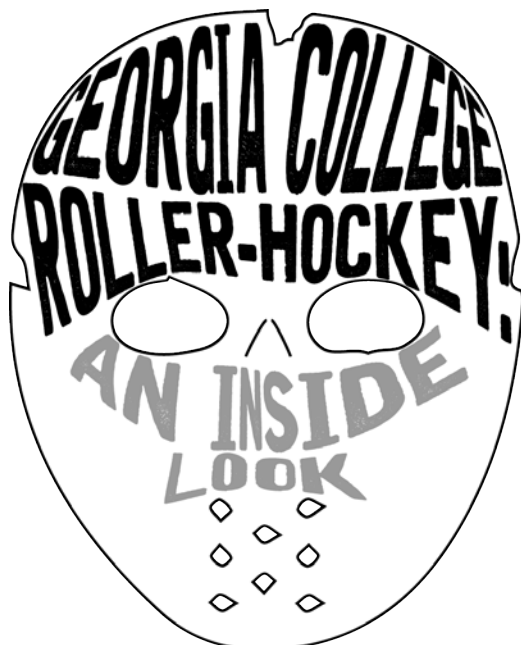
of the amazing things that they do."

Staton said one of his goals for the athletic department is to provide the best all around experience that he can for his the university's student athletes.

"In 10 years, these athletes won't remember the games that they won or lost, but they will remember the experience they had and the tools that we gave them to succeed in life," Staton said.

Staton tries to model these tools through the motto of the athletic department, "Align with university values, engaged in our community, educating and leading through athletics.

"Our students are our best story, and if all we teach them is their one particular sport, we are doing them a great disservice," Staton said.



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McCosh
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Entering its sixth year, Georgia College's roller hockey club team is in the process of preparing for the upcoming season.

Last season, the team recorded its best record in school history, finishing the year 10-5 and placing third in the Southeastern Collegiate Roller Hockey League. Last season's success almost secured the Bobcats a spot in the national tournament,

which has evoked new determination in returning players.

"It's cool to represent Georgia College in this sport," said Brian Aylward, senior captain and four-year veteran. "For a lot of us, it's our last year at GCSU, so we're really trying to win regionals."

The roller hockey team's first tournament is Oct. 17-18 in Atlanta. The team plays about 16 regular season games a year, but since Georgia College's rink isn't regulation size, the Bobcats don't get to host any home games.

However, the team still practices three times a week in the Wellness Center.

"I love going out of state on the weekends," returning junior Taylor Hopkins said. "We get to hang out as a team and play a sport we love."

Erik Olney founded Georgia College's roller hockey team in 2009. The club has grown, and this year, the team has 12 returning players, five seniors and four new members.

"It's exciting and sad to know it's your senior year and there's no next year," Aylward said. "It's

important for the team to perform the best to our ability."

The team must rank at least third in regionals to go to the national tournament in April. But, with their returning players and a strong veteran presence, the Bobcats have positioned themselves to be playoff contenders.

"Last year we were one win shy of making the cut to go to Independence, Missouri to represent Georgia College at the national level," Hopkins said. "We fully intend on making it this year."

Fouled Out



SportsCenter is back

Sports fans, it's time to rejoice; ESPN isn't complete garbage anymore. So, let's all take a moment to appreciate that TV sports personality Scott Van Pelt is once again hosting "SportsCenter."

It's such a refreshing change of pace to turn on the midnight edition of "SportsCenter" and actually be informed about sports.

For the past few months, I've been on the fence about the program. Before Van Pelt's reemergence, I was basically done with the show. It was just too much for me. I didn't do anything for me anymore. I was tired

of the cheesy graphics, I was tired of the cliché, mumbo jumbo scripts and I was damn sure tired of not seeing enough highlights.

"SportsCenter" is a landmark show, generally known for its pop-culture references and surplus of game highlights. But lately (before Van Pelt came back), the show seemed to lose focus of what it's supposed to be. It lost focus of the show's importance: SPORTS.

I watch the program to be informed. I want to know which teams won and which ones lost. I want to know the headline news of the sports world. But for some reason, "SportsCenter" decided to throw me some curveballs of late.

By no means necessary do I care what the tweet of the night is. Why should I care what some 13-year-old kid in Oklahoma has to say about a play that everyone is fully capable of realizing was a good play? It's absolutely irrelevant, and it's ruining the integrity of

the show's professionalism and reputation.

Don't get me wrong. I know social media plays a huge role in today's time, but come on, ESPN. You didn't have to try to appease the "new generation" by throwing in random tweets that don't add any significance to the show. It's a slap in the face to turn on the TV and see the anchors read off scripts that make them seem awkward and that make me feel awkward when watching. Before Van Pelt's takeover, the anchors reminded me of the weird kids in high school that had to read aloud in front of the class, even though you could tell they didn't want to.

I hope readers don't take this the wrong way, but I was also tired of seeing the sad "Make a Wish" stories. I watch "SportsCenter" to see sports, not to see video packages of dying kids. While it's a nice gesture, it doesn't belong on the program. If I wanted to feel sad, I'd watch Lifetime, not ESPN.

With that being said, thank God Van Pelt is back. He adds so much charisma and professionalism that the show was desperately lacking. He makes the show fun, but still brings the facts. There's no fluff. He speaks his mind, but he's highly educated on the topics he discusses.

He brings integrity. He is what aspiring sports journalists should aspire to be. He asks the hard-hitting questions, he brings light to the most important stories, and he's gradually bringing the program back to its core.

Van Pelt's knowledge and credibility has turned me into a regular viewer, and it makes me happy to know that there are still journalists out there who value the integrity of reporting and give a shit about bringing audiences what they deserve.

No longer do I have to contemplate watching Fox Sports One, and for that, I am grateful. So once again, thank you, Scott Van Pelt.

Rookie of the Year race



Steven Walters
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2015 has been another great year for the rookie, showcasing a promising future for baseball. Here are the top-three candidates (all third baseman) for MLB's National League Rookie of the Year.

Kris Bryant
Third baseman
Chicago Cubs

2015 stats as of Sept. 14 : 130 games, .271 average, 24 home runs, 23 doubles, 90 RBIs, 12 stolen poses
The 6'5" Bryant is tied for first place among all rookies in home runs, he's first in RBIs and runs and fifth in stolen bases. He has been a force in the middle of the Chicago lineup that already features power-hitting first baseman Anthony Rizzo. Without Bryant's potent bat and stellar defense, the Cubs aren't in playoff contention.

Matt Duffy
Third baseman
San Francisco Giants

2015 stats as of Sept. 14: 128 games, .300 average, 10 home runs, 24 doubles, 68 RBIs, eight stolen bases
Pablo Sandoval who? Matt Duffy has smoothly transitioned into the Giant's roster, replacing the beloved, former-Giant third baseman, Sandoval. Duffy has excelled against big league pitching as seen by his .300 average. Manager Bruce Bochy has even penciled Duffy into the No. 3 spot in San Francisco's batting order for most of the season.

Jung Ho Kang
Third baseman
Pittsburgh Pirates

2015 stats as of Sept. 14: 121 games, .288 average, 15 home runs, 24 doubles, 57 RBIs, .358 on-base percentage
The Korean-native Kang really turned it on in the month of July, when he won NL Rookie of the Month honors, hitting .379 with eight doubles and nine RBIs. He, just like the Pirates, have been under the radar, but both are can't-miss stories of 2015.



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It's not quite 1968, but the 2015 Mets continue to be one of baseball's best stories. After a 79-83 record and third place NL East finish in 2014, the Amazins have already surpassed last season's win total and continue to pull away from Washington in the East standings. After winning eight of their last 10, as of Wednesday,



the Mets are seven-and-a-half games ahead of the Nationals, who, at this point, are essentially if a facepalm GIF gained corporeal form as a baseball team. The Mets rotation has been dominate and is the major reason why the Metropolitans have made the step into relevancy. Meanwhile, fairy tale stories like not-so-prodigal son Wilmer Flores, growing

superstars like Jacob DeGrom, Matt Harvey and Noah

Syndergaard have made the Mets one of the most exciting and genuinely fun teams in baseball.



It was a rough week for a few NFL superstars and fantasy football owners alike. Dallas Cowboys receiver Dez Bryant broke a bone in his foot during last Sunday's play. His injury will require surgery, and he's expected to miss six-eight weeks. Washington Redskins receiver DeSean Jackson also went down during the season's opening week. He pulled his left hamstring,



and he's expected to miss three-four weeks.

Arizona Cardinals running back Andre Ellington added dismay to fantasy owners as he injured his right

knee during the team's win against the Saints. He's scheduled to miss one-two weeks and is ruled doubtful for week two. So, to fantasy football enthusiasts, get on the waiver wire and make some transactions while there are still some decent available players.



Former American tennis star James Blake was tackled outside of a New York hotel when NYPD officer James Frascatore mistook him for a suspect in an identity theft crime. Blake was texting on his phone outside



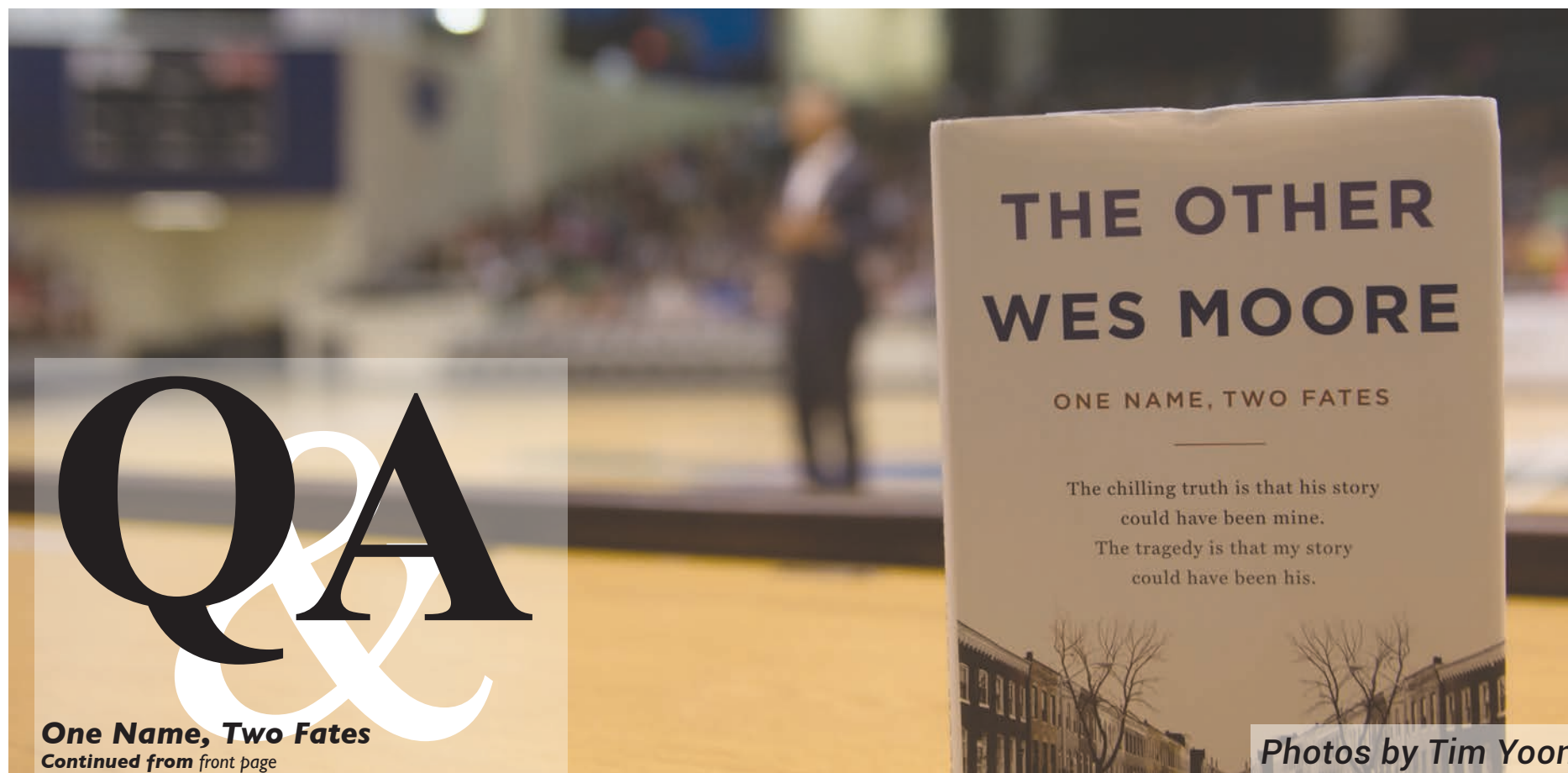
the hotel when he saw Frascatore sprinting towards him. Frascatore grabbed Blake and threw him violently to the ground before putting him in handcuffs. More cops arrived, and after checking Blake's identity, realized their mistake and let the former tennis pro go free.

Frascatore was assigned to desk duty after the mistake. Blake released a statement last Friday saying, "I know that what happened to me is not uncommon."



“Education is never going to be simply about what degree you get, but education is going to be about what impact you make.”

Wes Moore
New York Times Bestselling Author



Q&A

One Name, Two Fates
Continued from front page



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colonnade: In your book “The Other Wes Moore,” you said you first found out about the other Wes Moore while studying abroad in South Africa. What eventually made you decide to track him down and learn his story?

wes moore: You know, I think the big thing is, it was a story that I just couldn’t shake, you know, that I was just still wondering as I’m traveling the world and studying and all this kind of stuff, how is it that this guy with the same name, from the same city, and we’re now in completely different places. I think it’s the type of thing, where eventually, I just realized I couldn’t shake that story anymore, and I had to at least reach out. And if he wrote back, he wrote back, and if he didn’t, he didn’t. I needed to at least reach out.

colonnade: There’s a big focus in your book on the impact countless adults had on your life as a young man. Would you agree that it was their influence that made the difference? Looking back, what would you say to those people?

moore: I would say that you don’t understand my story without understanding the story of the people around me. Because had it not been for them, my story would have been so amazingly different. So the reason that I wanted to really stress that and highlight that was because it’s the only way to understand who I am and how I got here.

colonnade: When you describe the situations that you and Wes grew up in, it seems like a vicious cycle. How can kids today growing up in similar circumstances break out of that cycle? And what can I do as a college student



to prevent kids ending up in situations like the other Wes Moore?

moore: I think we kind of have to change the definition of family because, oftentimes, I think people say, “Well, that’s the family’s responsibility,” and I say I agree, but that’s why we need to alter our definition of family. And I think that will include college students as well, where college students can be a part of a bigger solution. You know, education is never going to be simply about what degree you get, but education is going to be about what impact you make. That’s where I think how we then alter that system and how we then alter that structure really helps to determine what type of society are we going to choose to live in, are we going to choose to be involved in.

colonnade: After publishing a New York Times bestseller and the book getting so much

attention, what do you do now to further the book’s message?

moore: I think a lot of what we do now is, even with the work we do with college students for BridgeEdu and helping to reinvent the first year of college and that kind of work, I think the big way that I push and advance the message is by making sure that people understand how this message is weaved in everything that we do, that it’s not just about these two kids, it’s not about one neighborhood, it’s not about one city, it’s about all of us. It’s about the decisions we make in our lives and, just as important, the people we have in our lives who actually help us to make those decisions. And that’s the thing I want people to know and take away from these stories.

colonnade: Why do you think it was important that freshman at Georgia College had this as their summer reading?

moore: Because I think

it really correlates well to what that introduction to college is like and what the introduction to college means. When you walk onto a college campus, you know, everybody thinks it’s about academics, and it is, but it isn’t. It’s about the other bigger experiences; it’s about the other things. And you know one thing I always say is, “If the only thing you got from college is a degree, then you missed the point.” You have to understand what else is there and why else are you here, and it’s about much more than just your GPA.

colonnade: If you could give one piece of advice to the freshman who read the book, what would it be?

moore: Share your own stories. Because you never know who your story or how your story will touch someone else. Stories are important because it helps people understand that they’re not alone. And that’s a very important emotion that people have to feel, that they’re not alone.

Community comes together for celebration of Oconee River



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On a gloomy, rainy Saturday morning at Milledgeville's Greenway, Frisbees were flying, dogs were running and nearly 35 kayaks were being loaded in the water for the third annual River Rat Race. It was River Day for all Milledgevillians.

River Day is an event put on to advocate environmental awareness

and to raise funds for children's charities.

Tents lined the sidewalks with various organization members ready to pass out brochures, advertise their petitions and perform science experiments for kids, all while that night's concert stage was being set up in a nearby field.

"This is the third year of the River Rat Race and the second year that we have been working with some of the campus organizations like the Chemistry Club and the Environmental Science Club, and we've really turned it into an event that's

not just about fun but also about learning about the river," said Matt Roessing, the head organizer behind this event.

As for the charities, Joel Burns from the Kiwanis Club said they raise money for the Boys and Girls Club, Boys Scouts and the maternal neonatal tetanus.

"We have raised nearly \$110 million towards research on MNT, that a child receives through the mother from groundwater contaminated with tetanus," Burns said.

The Environmental Science and Chemistry

clubs put on experiments and displayed research projects as a way to teach people about the environment.

Senior co-presidents of the Chemistry Club, Jennifer and Jessica Minnick, brought common household items and swamp water from South Georgia to demonstrate the difference in pH levels in waters from various areas around the state.

"We set up the pH scale so that people could pick out what was acidic versus what was basic and where the neutral range is,"

Minnick said.

Senior Co-President Seth Whitehouse said the Environmental Science Club was at River Day to promote recycling.

"We have about a dozen recycling bins set up around that we will take after River Day and the concert series is finished," Whitehouse said. "We also have a petition on campus called Seize the Grid, which is basically us trying to get renewable energy on campus with more efficient energy sources like solar panels."

The Environmental

Science Club was also promoting its first event for the year, River Clean-up.

"It is actually going to be held here at the Greenway," Whitehead said. "We are just going to get in the river and get as much trash, like tires, out of the river."

With hopes of continuing the River Rat Race and getting more support from student organizations and the community, Roessing said he hopes to make the race a continually growing, annual event.



REVIEW Buffington's Concert: The Norm and others



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Good music and good vibes filled Milledgeville's Oconee River Greenway on Saturday night, as Buffington's hosted its next installment of the summer concert series.

The concert featured music from local artists; The Fall Line Ramblers played first, Rapanui followed and headliner, The Norm, ended the night.

The Fall Line Ramblers opened up the show with an Aerosmith-inspired performance of "Come Together." The band went on to play a blues-infused

classic rock set.

After a while, the Fall Line Ramblers slowed it down a bit for a chilled-out rendition of Van Morrison's "Into the Mystic."

Following The Fall Line Ramblers, Milledgeville's own, Rapanui took the stage. The self-described "progressive rock" band played a set that consisted of jam band music with a consistently good sound.

The energy of the band was reflected in the positive mood of the crowd, producing a fun and energetic environment all around.

The Norm closed out the night with a high-energy set, electrifying the crowd song after song in typical Norm fashion. The six-man band showcased their diverse musical talent in every song played, whether that

was in the unique addition of the "sexaphone," the epic guitar solos or the slowed-down sound of lead singer Brian Rucker's ballad.

The Band's masterfully designed light show and smoke machine added more entertaining dimensions to the hour-and-a-half set.

The Norm ended the night by bringing two young fans onstage for a song. The seemingly shy boys' lack of enthusiasm didn't matter because it allowed Rucker and his step-brother Ryan Bars to remind their audience of what they hold most important.

"Keep your family close, and don't ever stop dreaming," Rucker said.

Colonnade Rating:

4/5



Tim Yoon/ Contributing Photographer

Three acts took the stage for the September edition of Buffington's Greenway Concert Series. Clockwise: The Norm's Brian Rucker and Ryan Bars headline; Rapanui's drummer and vocalist Ryan Laukhuf; Fall Line Ramblers' lead vocalist Darrell Brantley.



MillyMake 3-D models



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An elementary school student watched the 3-D printer with a smile on his face and impatience in his manner as the model he so eagerly awaited was created layer-by-layer in front of him.

The boy's name is Brandon, and he demanded that I print a ninja turtle on our 3-D printing station at the Hometown Milledgeville Festival.

The printing of a ninja turtle would take far too long, so instead, I printed Brandon a small model Angry Bird and handed him a flyer to learn how to create his own 3-D projects, maybe even a ninja turtle.

Need-A-Nerd, in collaboration with the Georgia College's Ina Dillard Russell Library and the Twin Lakes Library System, is offering a series of free classes in promotion of the new Millymaker Makerspace, a community

workplace for building, creating, and innovating. Constructing a brighter future for Milledgeville, one project at a time." The next class offered, on Sept. 26, focuses on 3-D printing.

3-D printing has become a banner for the rise of technology, some created to print weapons, others created to

Strategic Initiatives at the Georgia College Library. "We had 18 months of struggle when we got it to work."

The MakerBot, GC's first 3-D printer purchased by the library, came with many problems. The student technology assistants had to remain persistent in order to get the products the students and community expected.

"But it's about resilience," Windish said. "And resilient the students were, as well as the staff of Need-A-Nerd, who have worked with the 3-D printer, and together they are ready to make this technology ready and available to the community."

Classes on 3-D printing, 3-D modeling, as well as robots will be offered on various dates throughout the remainder of the year. These classes will be taught by various representatives, both students from Georgia College and staff members from Need-A-Nerd.

During the early planning stages of

Millymaker Makerspace, Tommy Cook, owner and partner of Need-A-Nerd, said, "We would like to help facilitate the classes and the training."

Windish said he hopes students will also learn to become facilitators, teachers or instructors within the space, instead of creating "just another sandbox" for students to use technology. He hopes the space will bring a better sense of connection between the students of Georgia College and the residents of Milledgeville.

"It's exciting technology," student library assistant, Jarixta Lee said. "I wish I knew how to use it."

Anyone interested in taking classes or being involved should call or visit Need-A-Nerd in downtown Milledgeville. The idea of the classes is that each person will be able to learn how to use the 3-D printer for whatever service they want to perform, whether that be Need-A-Nerd manufacturing a phone case, or even allowing someone like Brandon to print his very own ninja

NETFLIX & chill



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"Narcos," one of Netflix's newest series, is a manhunt between drug lord Pablo Escobar and DEA Agent Steve Murphy. Murphy's narration details his transfer to Colombia and the rise of Escobar. But the overzealous Murphy quickly learns that he's not in America anymore, but in

Columbia, where money and lead rule the streets. The plain-spoken Escobar casually reminds people of his all-seeing eyes, but shows no hesitation in ruthlessly ordering the murder of his adversaries. Murphy is hot on his trail, but Escobar doesn't bat an eye. "Narcos" is a refreshing series that combines Spanish flair with the narration of "Dexter," the action of "Breaking Bad" and the look and feel of "House of Cards."



GC STUDENTS ♥ THEATRE

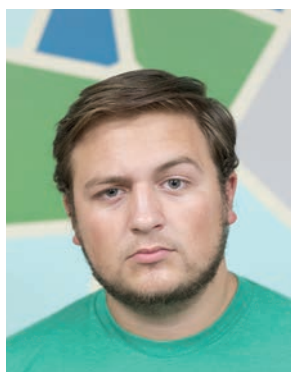
The strength of every democracy is measured by its commitment to the arts.

-Charles Segars, CEO of Ovation

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The Colonnade Speaks Out

The House of Representatives is currently considering a bill, "The Safe Campus Act," that prohibits students accused of assault from being charged, unless the victim reports to crime to police, not university officials.



"This heinous law needs to be struck down before anyone can be hurt by it. It seems counter-intuitive to create a law that doesn't protect people at all."

*Nick Landon,
news editor*



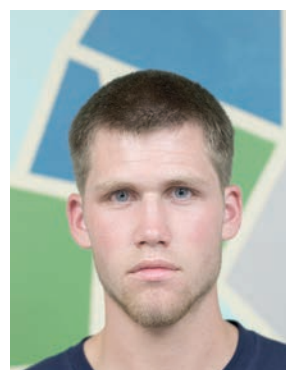
"From my experience, I would not go to the police again regarding any sort of sexual assault. I think women would get more accomplished as far as getting justice or feeling safe if the victim went to somewhere like the women's center. I also think it's sick to think that women may be required to take such a personal and delicate crime straight to the police."

*Taylor Hembree,
editor-in-chief*



"It makes no sense for Campus Police to not have jurisdiction over this issue, especially when they have jurisdiction over mostly everything else."

*Derek Roberts,
sports editor*



"To force victims to relive their assault against their will is shockingly, saddeningly, similar in nature to the assault itself."

*Sam Jones,
assistant sports editor*



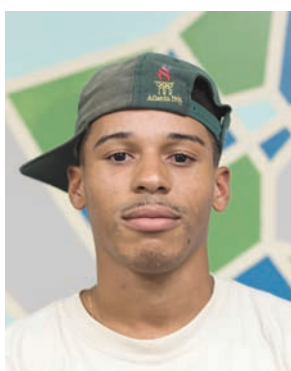
"It's both ironic and ridiculous that a bill called the 'The Safe Campus Act' makes it harder for victims to cope with surviving sexual assault."

*John Dillon,
photo editor*



"I think police and campus security should work together to solve these crimes and make students aware of the risks on an off campus."

*Angela Moryan,
entertainment editor*



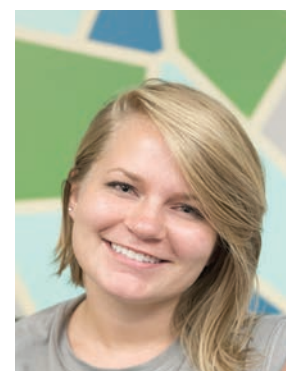
"That is ridiculous. If the school is able to arrest a student for a marijuana charge, then this should apply for a student reporting an assault against someone."

*Caleb Shorthouse,
designer*



"That's just stupid. I don't see any sense in that at all."

*Andrew Podo,
assistant news editor*



"This bill just won't work because it has become increasingly difficult for regular citizens to go police with their personal problems."

*Katie Skogen,
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STUDENTS WWOOF ACROSS AMERICA

In exchange for experience and housing, students are traveling nationally and learning organic farming



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Many don't think very hard when walking down the produce aisle to buy fresh food. A few may wonder, "Where exactly did this come from?" before putting something in the cart and moving on. However, WWOOFers know more about how food gets from a farm to a table than the average shopper.

WWOOF, World Wide Opportunities on Organic Farms, is a network that allows anyone the opportunity to work on

a farm in exchange for food, a place to stay and an experience to remember. Anyone can sign up on wwoofinternational.org to find a farm that fits his or her taste.

"I wanted an affordable way to go see something and go do something completely different," said Liz Rary, a senior English major. "I've been in Georgia my entire life; I want to spread my wings and get out there."

Rary had the opportunity to work at Paradise Green, an avocado farm north of San Diego. While there, she took care of livestock and harvested avocados and other fruits.

While compensation for farm work does not usually involve a monetary stipend, workers go for the experience to travel to a new place and learn about the ecological systems. Some WWOOFers, like Rary, only need to pay for the WWOOF online membership (which is between \$40-\$50 dollars) and a plane ticket to the farm. There are currently two farms near the Milledgeville area that take WWOOFers: Salamanders Springs in Gray, and the Babe and Sage Farm in Gordon.

"Everyone should do it," Rary said. "It changes how you think about the

way you work, because I don't think I really knew what actual work was until I was working with my hands in the ground. There were some moments when I was like, 'Wow, I hate working this much,' but it was so worth it in the end. I've never felt more alive in my entire life."

Rary isn't the only GC student to embark on this sort of adventure. Rachel Nabors, a third-year nursing student, went WWOOFing at a farm called Heart of Gold near Austin. She gained experience on an aquaponics farm, a unique setup that utilizes a closed-loop system of water to feed plants. Nabors harvested

food, gained experience in both farming and carpentry and was able to travel to Austin in her free time.

Aside from having a thirst for adventure, many WWOOFers are adamant about changing the food practices the U.S. is accustomed to, leaning towards a localized source of fruits and vegetables.

"I really like the concept of spending your time learning about where your food comes from," Nabors said. "I think we're really separated from the idea of being self-sustaining, growing your own crops and living seasonally - eating things that are growing at that time. We

import so much."

WWOOFers have a variety of reasons for volunteering, including gaining knowledge on U.S. food systems and getting in touch with nature. The natural and physical experience of farm work affects the volunteers as well.

"Being a nursing major, things are very fast and upbeat," Nabors said. "I stay busy constantly and, so I absolutely enjoy being able to take a step back and slow down and work hard. It was very therapeutic, the work that I was doing."

ABOUT WWOOFING

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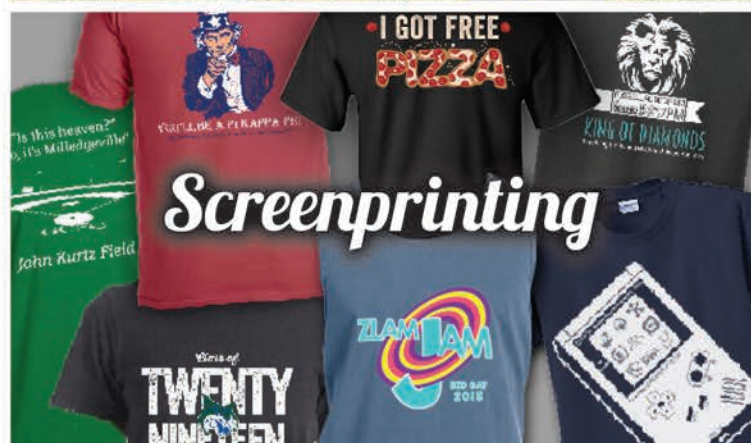


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